

Torrance, California.
April 19, 1927.

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, April 19, 1927, and was called to order at 7.45 P. M. by President Dennis. The following Trustees were present: Brooks, Foley, Inman, Wolfe and Dennis. Absent: None.

The Minutes of the regular meeting of April 5, 1927 were read and approved as read.

President Dennis ordered the opening of sealed bids for the improvement of Madrid Avenue as had been advertised.

The bids follow:

Bidders	Concrete Sidewalk	Concrete Curb	Total bid	Bidder's Bond
Evans & Clark	\$.169	\$.50	\$7094.00	\$800.00
J. S. McNerney	.14	.45	5770.00	700.00
Frank Sammons	.16	.50	7000.00	700.00 (c.c.)
O. W. Fisher	.178	.419		800.00

Trustee Foley moved that the above bids be referred to the City Engineer for comparison and report at next regular meeting. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Letters, dated April 7, 1927, from the Pan American Petroleum Company and the Petroleum Securities Company, regarding the zoning of newly annexed territory, requested that their letter be made a matter of record and that they be advised that they may continue with their plan of erecting storage tanks.

Trustee Brooks moved that the above companies be advised that they may continue with their storage facilities and that the matter of zoning is now before the Planning Commission (City); that their request regarding zoning will be referred to the Planning Commission and that the Companies will be given an opportunity to meet with the Planning Commission before any zoning is done.

Trustee Foley seconded the motion which was duly carried.

No action was taken on the letter from the C.C.M.O. dated April 12, 1927, concerning their future plans.

A petition, signed by 27 property owners on Amapola Avenue requested that no proceedings be started for the widening of said street.

The petition was ordered filed on motion by Trustee Foley, seconded by Trustee Inman and a majority vote.

Mr. George Proctor, President of the local Chamber of Commerce, stated that he had been delegated by the Chamber to talk about street lights; that the Chamber thought that now was the right time to talk about lighting the City; that the Chamber wanted to meet with and cooperate with the Board of Trustees; that he realized that the Board could not call for competitive bids for lighting as no specifications had been adopted and that it was not known just what kind of lights was wanted; that he thought the Chamber of Commerce might call for bids for all kinds of lights and then let the Board of Trustees pick out the lights that seemed best to satisfy the needs of the City and ask for bids on them; that it would be the proper thing for the Board to meet with the Chamber next Tuesday afternoon and talk it over, taking up the question of whether it would be better to do the work on the assessment plan or under general municipal bonds; that he would like to ask the Board to meet the Chamber of Commerce next Tuesday afternoon between 5.00 and 6.00 P.M. This meeting was decided on.

The Engineer stated that the City of Los Angeles would like a definite statement concerning the paving of a small piece of the street at 190th and Western; that the cost would be about \$300.00 and the City of Los Angeles would like to know whether the City of Torrance would pay for this out of the General Fund or require that an assessment district be formed; that he had been in communication with owners of property at that corner and was assured that sufficient land would be dedicated to ease the curve.

Trustee Brooks moved that the cost of paving this small strip approximate cost \$300.00--be paid out of the general fund when the City of Los Angeles does their part, and that steps be taken to have enough land dedicated by the owners to ease the curve at this corner. Trustee Foley seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Brooks, Foley, Inman, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: Trustees: None.

ABSENT: Trustees: None.

The Engineer mentioned that Mr. Cornsweet requests permission to pave three feet of the alley in the rear of his building at 2014 Redondo Boulevard at his own expense, also that he wishes to raise the walk two inches above the grade of the alley. The Engineer recommended that the above request be granted.

Trustee Inman moved that the request be granted as above. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried.

A request was made to the Engineer that a set back line of three feet be allowed on Lot 1, Block 55 for the side line. This lot fronts on Acacia and there are no houses fronting on El Dorado between Madrid and Cedar. Using the side line set back of ten feet would not allow enough room for a duplex which the owner thinks he ought to build in order to get sufficient returns from the property.

Trustee Foley moved that the above request be granted.

Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Trustee Brooks moved that the City Attorney be instructed to prepare an ordinance making the side line set back on El Dorado Street three feet from Madrid to Cedar Streets.

Trustee Foley seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Fire Chief Hannebrink recommended the placing of a fire plug on a private street 344 feet south of Carson on the Western boundary of the property owned by the International Derrick Company, stating that the private street would be dedicated to the City at some future time.

Trustee Foley moved that the Clerk be instructed to accomplish the placing of a hydrant as recommended above. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Brooks, Foley, Inman, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: Trustees: None.

ABSENT: Trustees: None.

The question of increasing the salary of the two fire engineers \$15.00 a month, as recommended by Chief Hannebrink, was referred to the fire committee for investigation and report.

Trustee Wolfe moved that the bid of \$850.00 for an Oshkosh mixer as submitted by Schultz, Peckham and Schultz, be accepted. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried.

The adoption of Ordinances 152 and 153 was deferred until the next meeting.

Attorney Briney read:

ORDINANCE NO. 155
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 151

Trustee Brooks moved that Ordinance No. 155 be adopted as read for its ~~first~~ reading and same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Foley seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Brooks, Foley, Inman, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: Trustees: None.

ABSENT: Trustees: None.

Trustee Brooks suggested that the Water Company be advised of the leak in the line in the alley by the Roi Tan Cafe, also stated that about 40 persons had attended the meeting at which Mr. Cheney outlined his planning views and advised those who were not present to read his address in the local paper.

No action was taken on Mr. Gourdier's recommendation that the name of Acacia Street be changed to avoid confusion with the same street in Lomita.

Trustee Foley moved that all bills, properly audited, be paid. Trustee Inman seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Brooks, Foley, Inman, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: Trustees: None.

ABSENT: Trustees: None.

At 9.10 P. M. Trustee Foley moved to adjourn. Trustee Inman seconded the motion which was duly carried.

A. H. Baudett
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

John Dennis
President of the Board of Trustees
of the City of Torrance.